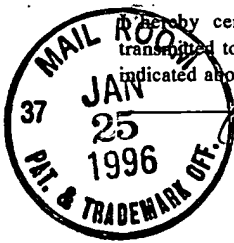


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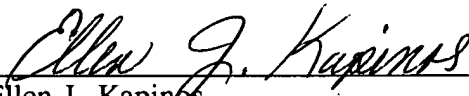
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Ellen Kapinos, DECLARES AND SAYS:

1. That she is Senior Patent Attorney of Genetics Institute, Inc., the Owner of the above-identified patent application;
2. That a culture of a human BMP clone (ΛH8 12-1) microorganism strain has been deposited in the permanent culture collection of the American Type Culture Collection, 1203 Parklawn Drive, Rockville, Maryland, and the culture deposit meets the requirements of the Budapest Treaty for the purposes of patent procedure;
3. That said culture has been accorded the accession number of ATCC No. 75010 on May 15, 1991;
4. That said culture has been deposited under conditions which ensure that access to the culture will be available during the pendency of the above-identified patent application to one determined by the Commissioner to be entitled thereto under 37 C.F.R. §1.14 and 35 U.S.C. §122;
5. That upon issuance of a patent on the above-identified patent application, Genetics Institute, Inc. will irrevocably remove any restrictions as to public availability of the culture deposit, and will replace the same culture deposit should it become non-viable, during the period that extends thirty years from the date of the deposit, or the period of the enforceable life of the patent, or the period of five years after the last public request for the deposit, whichever period is longest; and

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